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## Mississippi August 2001 Cotton Production Forecast is 2<sup>nd</sup> Highest of Record

### Corn Yield at Record High

The Mississippi Agricultural Statistics Service forecast the 2001 Mississippi Cotton Production at 2.6 million bales, up 52 percent from the previous year. If realized, this would be the second highest production on record, second only to the 2.7 million bales produced in 1937. Yield per acre is forecast at 743 pounds, up 101 pounds from last year. Acres for harvest are estimated at 1.68 million acres, up 31 percent from last year. In 1937, it required 3.4 million acres to produce 2.7 million pounds of cotton.

Corn for grain production is forecast at 44.4 million bushels, up 15 percent from 2000. Yield per acre is forecast at 120 bushels, a record high and up 20 bushels from last year. Acreage harvested for grain is estimated at 370,000 acres, down 4 percent from 2000. Production of rice is forecast at 14.3 million cwt., up 11 percent from 2000. The yield per acre is forecast at 6,000 pounds, up 100 pounds from last year. Acres for harvest are estimated at 238,000 acres, up 9 percent from last year. Soybean production is forecast at 35.6 million bushels, up 2 percent from last year. Yield is forecast at 28 bushels per acre, up 6 bushels per acre from last year. Acres harvested are estimated at 1.27 million acres, 20 percent below last year. Hay production is forecast at 1.56 million tons, up 22 percent from last year. Yield, at 2.00 tons per acre, is up 25 percent from last year. Acres to be harvested are forecast at 780,000 acres, down 3 percent from a year earlier.

## Crop Acreage, Yield, and Production, August 1, 2001, Mississippi and United States

| Crop                      | Unit  | Acreage           |                     | Yield Per Acre |         | Production  |             |
|---------------------------|-------|-------------------|---------------------|----------------|---------|-------------|-------------|
|                           |       | Harvested2<br>000 | For Harvest<br>2001 | 2000           | 2001    | 2000        | 2001        |
| <b>Mississippi</b>        |       | 1,000 Acres       |                     |                |         | 1,000 Units |             |
| Soybeans                  | bu    | 1,580             | 1,270               | 22.0           | 28.0    | 34,760      | 35,560      |
| All Cotton <sup>12</sup>  | bales | 1,280             | 1,680               | 642            | 743     | 1,711       | 2,600       |
| Rice <sup>1</sup>         | cwt   | 218               | 238                 | 5,900          | 6,000 * | 12,862      | 14,280      |
| Corn, Grain               | bu    | 385               | 370                 | 100.0          | 120.0 * | 38,500      | 44,400      |
| Winter Wheat <sup>3</sup> | bu    | 235               | 185                 | 55.0 *         | 50.0    | 12,925      | 9,250       |
| All Hay                   | ton   | 800               | 780                 | 1.60           | 2.00    | 1,280       | 1,560       |
| <b>United States</b>      |       |                   |                     |                |         |             |             |
| Soybeans                  | bu    | 72,718            | 74,137              | 38.1           | 38.7    | 2,769,665   | 2,867,474 * |
| All Cotton <sup>12</sup>  | bales | 13,053.0          | 14,338.0            | 632            | 670     | 17,188.3    | 20,003.0    |
| Rice <sup>1</sup>         | cwt   | 3,039             | 3,223               | 6,281 *        | 6,151   | 190,872     | 198,237     |
| Corn, Grain               | bu    | 72,732            | 69,191              | 137.1          | 133.9   | 9,968,358   | 9,266,397   |
| Winter Wheat              | bu    | 35,022            | 31,657              | 44.6           | 43.8    | 1,562,733   | 1,385,048   |
| All Hay                   | ton   | 59,854            | 63,833              | 2.54           | 2.48    | 152,183     | 158,241     |

\* Record High.

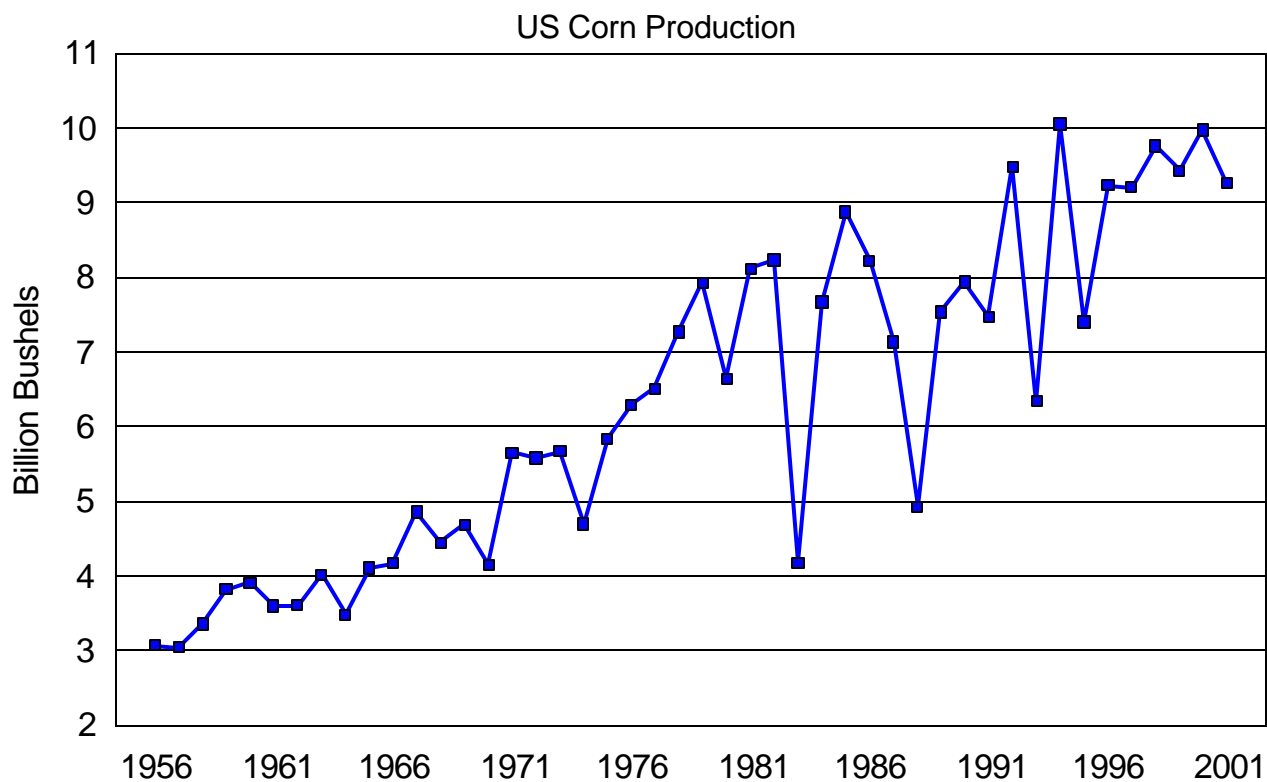
<sup>1</sup> Yield in pounds per acre.

<sup>2</sup> Production in 480 lb. Net weight bales.

<sup>3</sup> Estimates for current year carried forward from an earlier forecast.

### Corn for Grain: Area Harvested, Yield, and Production, Selected States and US, 2000 and Forecasted August 1, 2001

| State              | Area Harvested |            | Yield        |              | Production    |               |
|--------------------|----------------|------------|--------------|--------------|---------------|---------------|
|                    | 2000           | 2001       | 2000         | 2001         | 2000          | 2001          |
|                    | 1,000 Acres    |            | Bushels      |              | 1,000 Bushels |               |
| Alabama            | 165            | 170        | 65.0         | 110.0        | 10,725        | 18,700        |
| Arkansas           | 175            | 175        | 130.0        | 133.0        | 22,750        | 23,275        |
| Illinois           | 11,050         | 10,750     | 151.0        | 146.0        | 1,668,550     | 1,569,500     |
| Indiana            | 5,550          | 5,750      | 147.0        | 147.0        | 815,850       | 845,250       |
| Iowa               | 12,000         | 11,500     | 145.0        | 141.0        | 1,740,000     | 1,621,500     |
| Kansas             | 3,200          | 3,100      | 130.0        | 127.0        | 416,000       | 393,700       |
| Louisiana          | 370            | 270        | 116.0        | 124.0        | 42,920        | 33,480        |
| Minnesota          | 6,600          | 6,200      | 145.0        | 131.0        | 957,000       | 812,200       |
| <b>Mississippi</b> | <b>385</b>     | <b>370</b> | <b>100.0</b> | <b>120.0</b> | <b>38,500</b> | <b>44,400</b> |
| Missouri           | 2,770          | 2,570      | 143.0        | 132.0        | 396,110       | 339,240       |
| Nebraska           | 8,050          | 7,900      | 126.0        | 136.0        | 1,014,300     | 1,074,400     |
| Ohio               | 3,300          | 3,150      | 147.0        | 138.0        | 485,100       | 434,700       |
| South Dakota       | 3,850          | 3,400      | 112.0        | 120.0        | 431,200       | 408,000       |
| Texas              | 1,900          | 1,420      | 124.0        | 105.0        | 235,600       | 149,100       |
| Wisconsin          | 2,750          | 2,600      | 132.0        | 122.0        | 363,000       | 317,200       |
| United States      | 72,732         | 69,191     | 137.1        | 133.9        | 9,968,358     | 9,266,397     |



## US Field Crops: Records for Acreage, Yield, and Production

| Crop               |      | Acres Harvested |      | Yield per Acre |      | Production  |            | Series Began |      |      |
|--------------------|------|-----------------|------|----------------|------|-------------|------------|--------------|------|------|
|                    |      | Acres           | Year | Yield          | Year | Production  | Year       |              |      |      |
|                    |      | 1,000 Acres     |      |                |      | 1,000 Units |            |              |      |      |
| Corn for Grain     | Low  | 30,017          | 1866 | 18.2           | bu   | 1901        | 730,814    | bu           | 1866 | 1866 |
|                    | High | 110,893         | 1917 | 138.6          | bu   | 1994        | 10,050,520 | bu           | 1994 |      |
| Cotton, All        | Low  | 6,973           | 1868 | 122            | lb   | 1866        | 2,097      | bale         | 1866 | 1866 |
|                    | High | 44,608          | 1926 | 708            | lb   | 1994        | 19,662     | bale         | 1994 |      |
| Hay, All           | Low  | 58,815          | 1994 | 0.93           | ton  | 1934        | 60,485     | ton          | 1934 | 1909 |
|                    | High | 77,639          | 1944 | 2.58           | ton  | 1995        | 155,385    | ton          | 1986 |      |
| Rice               | Low  | 270             | 1896 | 867            | lb   | 1896        | 2,340      | cwt          | 1896 | 1895 |
|                    | High | 3,792           | 1981 | 6,120          | lb   | 1996        | 210,458    | cwt          | 1999 |      |
| Sorghum for Grain  | Low  | 2,396           | 1934 | 8.0            | bu   | 1934        | 19,209     | bu           | 1934 | 1929 |
|                    | High | 19,682          | 1957 | 72.7           | bu   | 1994        | 1,120,271  | bu           | 1985 |      |
| Soybeans for Beans | Low  | 415             | 1925 | 11.0           | bu   | 1924        | 4,875      | bu           | 1925 | 1924 |
|                    | High | 72,476          | 1999 | 41.4           | bu   | 1994        | 2,741,014  | bu           | 1998 |      |
| Winter Wheat       | Low  | 26,825          | 1917 | 12.5           | bu   | 1933        | 378,283    | bu           | 1933 | 1909 |
|                    | High | 58,476          | 1981 | 47.8           | bu   | 1999        | 2,097,057  | bu           | 1981 |      |

Winter Wheat: Area Harvested, Yield, and Production, Selected States  
and US, 2000 and Forecasted August 1, 2001

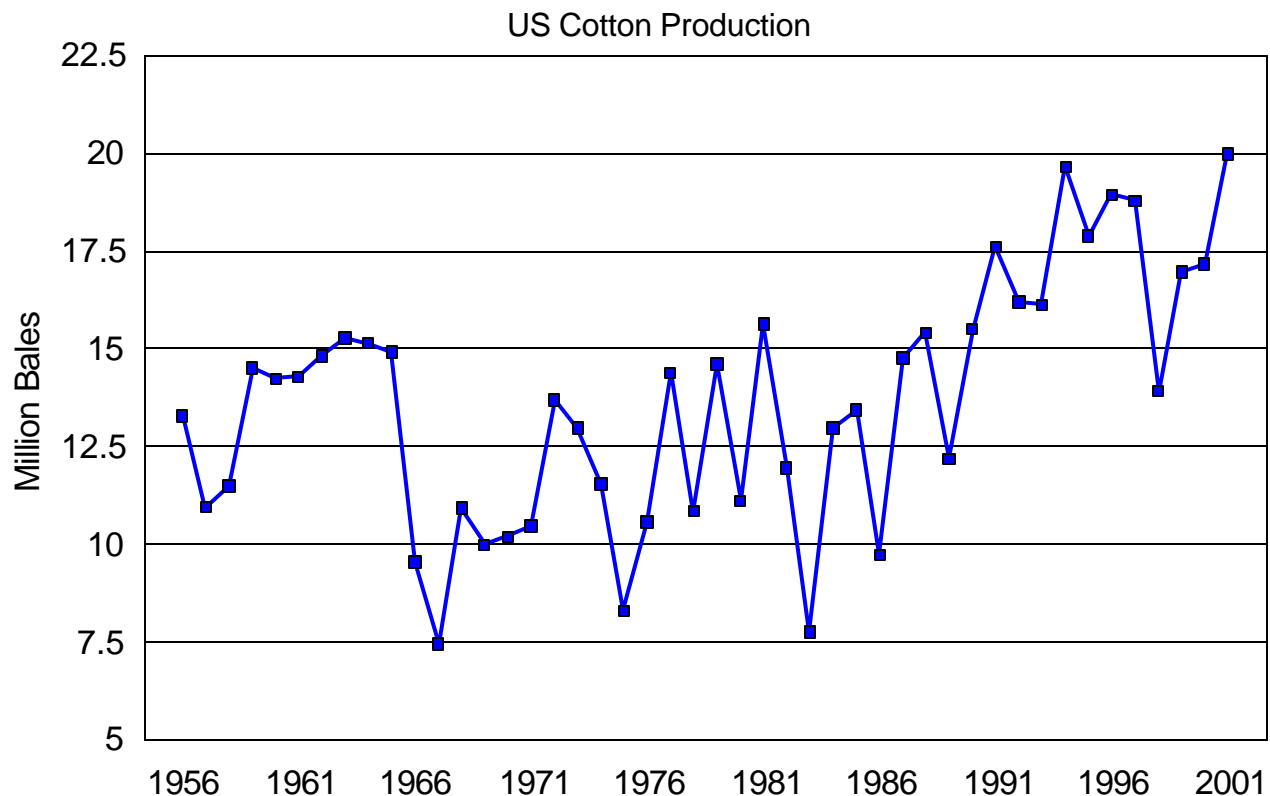
| State              | Area Harvested |            | Yield       |             | Production    |              |
|--------------------|----------------|------------|-------------|-------------|---------------|--------------|
|                    | 2000           | 2001       | 2000        | 2001        | 2000          | 2001         |
| 1,000 Acres        |                |            | Bushels     |             | 1,000 Bushels |              |
| Arkansas           | 1,100          | 970        | 54.0        | 48.0        | 59,400        | 46,560       |
| Colorado           | 2,350          | 2,050      | 29.0        | 34.0        | 68,150        | 69,700       |
| Georgia            | 200            | 220        | 54.0        | 53.0        | 10,800        | 11,660       |
| Illinois           | 920            | 710        | 57.0        | 61.0        | 52,440        | 43,310       |
| Kansas             | 9,400          | 8,400      | 37.0        | 41.0        | 347,800       | 344,400      |
| <b>Mississippi</b> | <b>235</b>     | <b>185</b> | <b>55.0</b> | <b>50.0</b> | <b>12,925</b> | <b>9,250</b> |
| Missouri           | 950            | 760        | 52.0        | 54.0        | 49,400        | 41,040       |
| Montana            | 1,350          | 950        | 33.0        | 20.0        | 44,550        | 19,000       |
| Nebraska           | 1,650          | 1,700      | 36.0        | 39.0        | 59,400        | 66,300       |
| Ohio               | 1,110          | 900        | 72.0        | 67.0        | 79,920        | 60,300       |
| Oklahoma           | 4,200          | 3,800      | 34.0        | 33.0        | 142,800       | 125,400      |
| South Dakota       | 1,280          | 370        | 42.0        | 35.0        | 53,760        | 12,950       |
| Tennessee          | 380            | 330        | 55.0        | 56.0        | 20,900        | 18,480       |
| Texas              | 2,200          | 3,000      | 30.0        | 34.0        | 66,000        | 102,000      |
| Washington         | 1,800          | 1,750      | 73.0        | 61.0        | 131,400       | 106,750      |
| United States      | 35,022         | 31,657     | 44.6        | 43.8        | 1,562,733     | 1,385,048    |

**All Cotton: Area Harvested, Yield, and Production, Selected States,  
and US, 2000 and Forecasted August 1, 2001**

| State              | Area Harvested |                | Yield        |              | Production <sup>1</sup>  |                |
|--------------------|----------------|----------------|--------------|--------------|--------------------------|----------------|
|                    | 2000           | 2001           | 2000         | 2001         | 2000                     | 2001           |
|                    | 1,000 Acres    |                | Pounds       |              | 1,000 Bales <sup>2</sup> |                |
| Alabama            | 530.0          | 605.0          | 492.0        | 682.0        | 543.0                    | 860.0          |
| Arizona            | 282.9          | 284.0          | 1,354.0      | 1,254.0      | 798.2                    | 742.0          |
| Arkansas           | 950.0          | 1,150.0        | 720.0        | 714.0        | 1,425.0                  | 1,710.0        |
| California         | 914.0          | 819.0          | 1,342.0      | 1,342.0      | 2,556.3                  | 2,290.0        |
| Georgia            | 1,350.0        | 1,490.0        | 591.0        | 680.0        | 1,663.0                  | 2,110.0        |
| Louisiana          | 695.0          | 900.0          | 629.0        | 693.0        | 911.0                    | 1,300.0        |
| <b>Mississippi</b> | <b>1,280.0</b> | <b>1,680.0</b> | <b>642.0</b> | <b>743.0</b> | <b>1,711.0</b>           | <b>2,600.0</b> |
| Missouri           | 388.0          | 395.0          | 668.0        | 632.0        | 540.0                    | 520.0          |
| North Carolina     | 925.0          | 1,055.0        | 742.0        | 701.0        | 1,429.0                  | 1,540.0        |
| Oklahoma           | 145.0          | 200.0          | 503.0        | 480.0        | 152.0                    | 200.0          |
| South Carolina     | 290.0          | 296.0          | 627.0        | 681.0        | 379.0                    | 420.0          |
| Tennessee          | 565.0          | 605.0          | 603.0        | 643.0        | 710.0                    | 810.0          |
| Texas              | 4,416.0        | 4,517.0        | 432.0        | 471.0        | 3,971.0                  | 4,431.0        |
| United States      | 13,053.0       | 14,338.0       | 632.0        | 670.0        | 17,188.3                 | 20,003.0       |

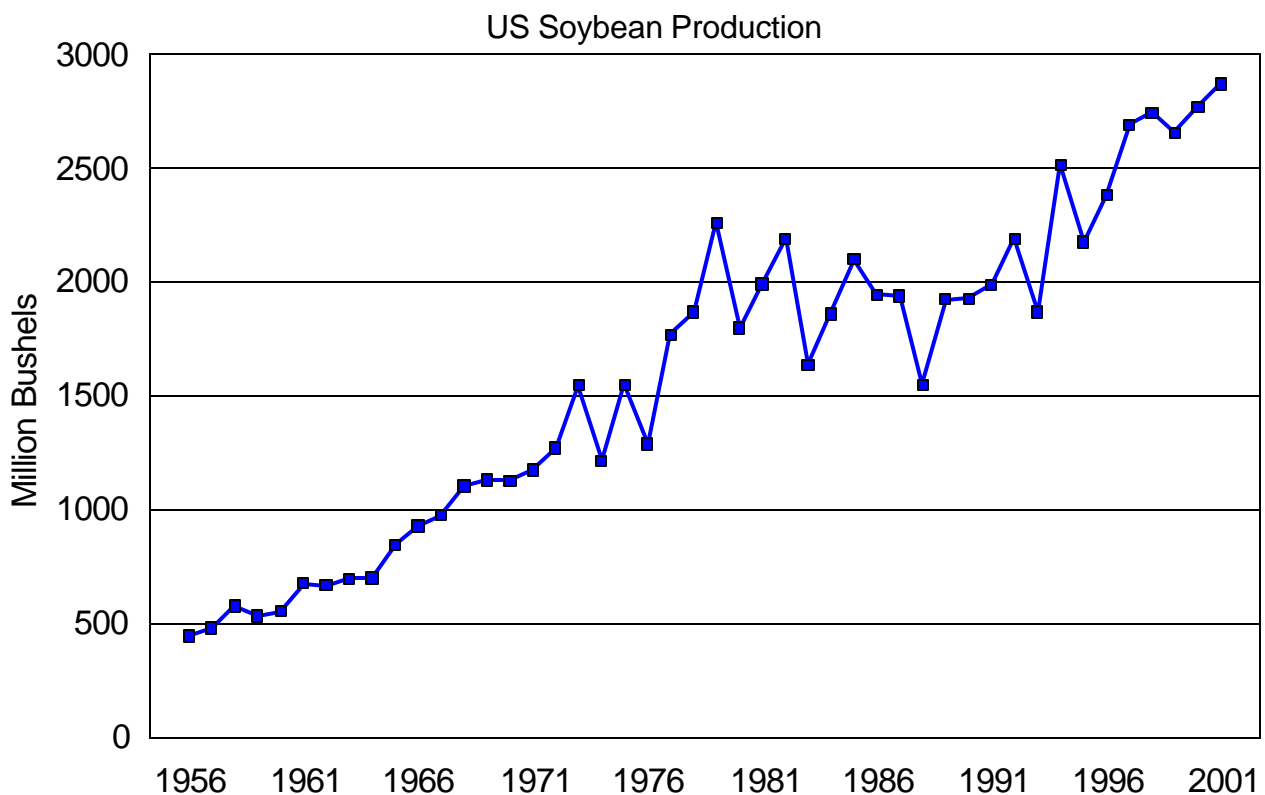
<sup>1</sup> Production ginned and to be ginned.

<sup>2</sup> 480-lb. net weight bales.



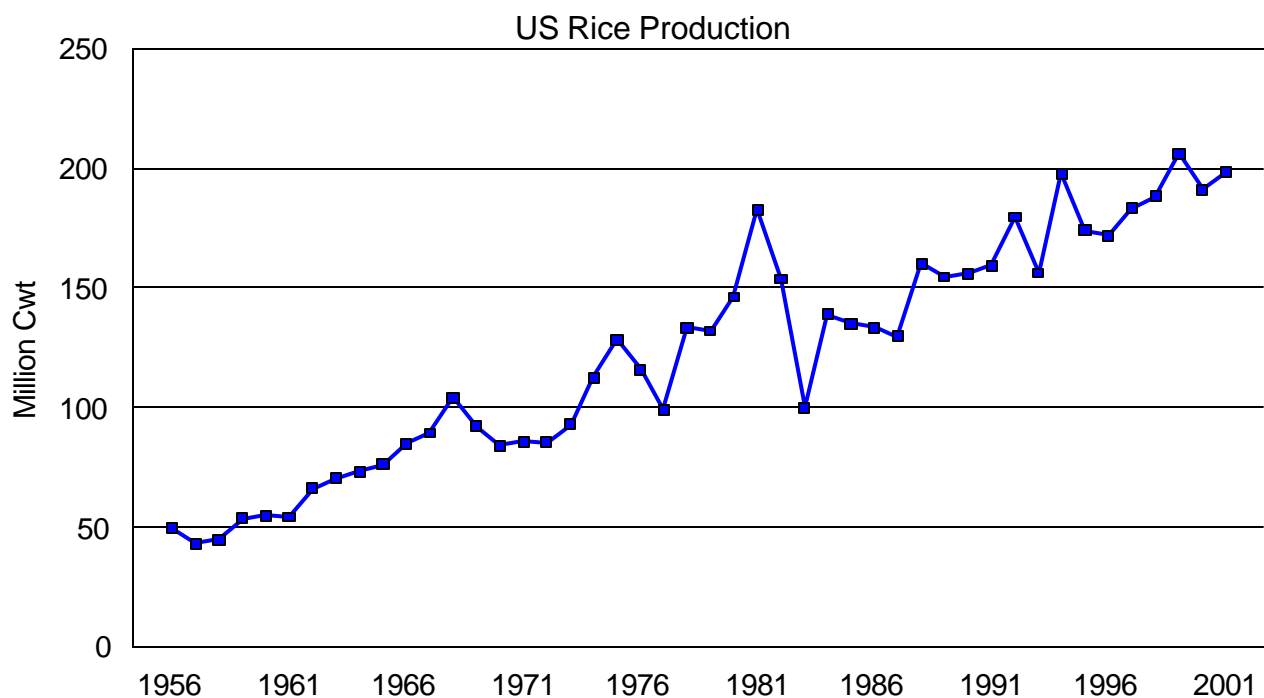
**Soybeans for Beans: Area Harvested, Yield, and Production, Selected States  
and US, 2000 and Forecasted August 1, 2001**

| State              | Area Harvested |              | Yield       |             | Production    |               |
|--------------------|----------------|--------------|-------------|-------------|---------------|---------------|
|                    | 2000           | 2001         | 2000        | 2001        | 2000          | 2001          |
|                    | 1,000 Acres    |              | Bushels     |             | 1,000 Bushels |               |
| Alabama            | 160            | 150          | 18.0        | 28.0        | 2,880         | 4,200         |
| Arkansas           | 3,200          | 2,950        | 26.0        | 30.0        | 83,200        | 88,500        |
| Illinois           | 10,450         | 10,950       | 44.0        | 44.0        | 459,800       | 481,800       |
| Indiana            | 5,630          | 5,780        | 46.0        | 46.0        | 258,980       | 265,880       |
| Iowa               | 10,680         | 10,950       | 43.0        | 42.0        | 459,240       | 459,900       |
| Kansas             | 2,500          | 2,900        | 20.0        | 31.0        | 50,000        | 89,900        |
| Louisiana          | 870            | 670          | 26.0        | 31.0        | 22,620        | 20,770        |
| Minnesota          | 7,150          | 7,000        | 41.0        | 39.0        | 293,150       | 273,000       |
| <b>Mississippi</b> | <b>1,580</b>   | <b>1,270</b> | <b>22.0</b> | <b>28.0</b> | <b>34,760</b> | <b>35,560</b> |
| Missouri           | 5,000          | 4,900        | 35.0        | 32.0        | 175,000       | 156,800       |
| Nebraska           | 4,575          | 4,825        | 38.0        | 41.0        | 173,850       | 197,825       |
| Ohio               | 4,440          | 4,690        | 42.0        | 42.0        | 186,480       | 196,980       |
| South Dakota       | 4,370          | 4,250        | 35.0        | 37.0        | 152,950       | 157,250       |
| Tennessee          | 1,150          | 1,050        | 25.0        | 32.0        | 28,750        | 33,600        |
| United States      | 72,718         | 74,137       | 38.1        | 38.7        | 2,769,665     | 2,867,474     |



### Rice: Area Harvested, Yield, and Production by State and US, 2000 and Forecasted August 1, 2001

| State              | Area Harvested |            | Yield        |              | Production    |               |
|--------------------|----------------|------------|--------------|--------------|---------------|---------------|
|                    | 2000           | 2001       | 2000         | 2001         | 2000          | 2001          |
|                    | 1,000 Acres    |            | Pounds       |              | 1,000 Cwt.    |               |
| Arkansas           | 1,410          | 1,520      | 6,110        | 6,050        | 86,112        | 91,960        |
| California         | 548            | 471        | 7,940        | 7,850        | 43,521        | 36,974        |
| Louisiana          | 480            | 575        | 5,080        | 5,100        | 24,402        | 29,325        |
| <b>Mississippi</b> | <b>218</b>     | <b>238</b> | <b>5,900</b> | <b>6,000</b> | <b>12,862</b> | <b>14,280</b> |
| Missouri           | 169            | 205        | 5,700        | 5,750        | 9,633         | 11,788        |
| Texas              | 214            | 214        | 6,700        | 6,500        | 14,342        | 13,910        |
| United States      | 3,039          | 3,223      | 6,281        | 6,151        | 190,872       | 198,237       |



### Farm Computer Usage: Access, Ownership, and Use by State and United States, 1999 and 2001

| State              | Farms With Computer Access |           | Farms That Own or Lease Computers |           | Farms Using Computers for Farm Business |           | Farms With Internet Access |           |
|--------------------|----------------------------|-----------|-----------------------------------|-----------|---|-----------|----------------------------|-----------|
|                    | 1999                       | 2001      | 1999                              | 2001      | 1999                                    | 2001      | 1999                       | 2001      |
|                    | Percent                    |           |                                   |           |   |           |                            |           |
| Alabama            | 47                         | 48        | 37                                | 42        | 24                                      | 24        | 28                         | 34        |
| Arkansas           | 41                         | 49        | 35                                | 47        | 23                                      | 26        | 25                         | 32        |
| Georgia            | 33                         | 36        | 29                                | 33        | 18                                      | 19        | 20                         | 26        |
| Kentucky           | 25                         | 28        | 20                                | 27        | 11                                      | 12        | 14                         | 17        |
| Louisiana          | 35                         | 53        | 32                                | 47        | 20                                      | 19        | 21                         | 40        |
| <b>Mississippi</b> | <b>30</b>                  | <b>37</b> | <b>24</b>                         | <b>34</b> | <b>11</b>                               | <b>16</b> | <b>18</b>                  | <b>24</b> |
| Missouri           | 39                         | 55        | 34                                | 49        | 19                                      | 30        | 19                         | 44        |
| Tennessee          | 35                         | 42        | 28                                | 36        | 13                                      | 16        | 24                         | 34        |
| Texas              | 48                         | 57        | 39                                | 52        | 23                                      | 26        | 31                         | 46        |
| US <sup>1</sup>    | 47                         | 55        | 40                                | 50        | 24                                      | 29        | 29                         | 43        |

<sup>1</sup> Excludes AK and HI.

### Farm Computer Usage: Access and Use of Internet by State and United States, 2001

| State                      | Farms Purchase<br>Agricultural Inputs<br>Over Internet <sup>1</sup> | Farms Conduct<br>Agricultural Marketing<br>Activities Over Internet<br><sup>2</sup> | Farms Access<br>USDA/NASS Reports<br>Over Internet <sup>3</sup> | Farms Access Other<br>USDA<br>Reports/Services Over<br>Internet <sup>3</sup> |
|----------------------------|---|---|---|--|
| Percent                    |   |   |   |  |
| Alabama                    | 5   | 3   | 3   | 5  |
| Arkansas                   | 6   | 5   | 4   | 8  |
| California                 | 5   | 6   | 8   | 11   |
| Colorado <sup>4</sup>      | 6   | 9   | 5   | 11   |
| Florida                    | 10  | 12  | 6   | 8  |
| Georgia                    | 2   | 3   | 4   | 4  |
| Idaho                      | 6   | 12  | 9   | 13   |
| Illinois                   | 7   | 7   | 9   | 12   |
| Indiana                    | 4   | 6   | 6   | 9  |
| Iowa                       | 6   | 9   | 9   | 14   |
| Kansas                     | 4   | 4   | 5   | 7  |
| Kentucky                   | 2   | 2   | 2   | 3  |
| Louisiana                  | 7   | 3   | 4   | 5  |
| Missouri                   | 6   | 5   | 6   | 11   |
| Minnesota                  | 5   | 7   | 9   | 13   |
| <b>Mississippi</b>         | <b>3</b>  | <b>3</b>  | <b>3</b>  | <b>4</b>   |
| Missouri                   | 3   | 7   | 6   | 13   |
| Montana                    | 7   | 10  | 8   | 13   |
| Nebraska                   | 4   | 7   | 7   | 10   |
| New Hampshire <sup>5</sup> | 10  | 9   | 4   | 6  |
| New York                   | 10  | 12  | 6   | 10   |
| North Carolina             | 4   | 7   | 7   | 11   |
| North Dakota               | 5   | 8   | 10  | 14   |
| Ohio                       | 7   | 5   | 6   | 7  |
| Oklahoma                   | 1   | 7   | 4   | 8  |
| Oregon                     | 8   | 14  | 7   | 13   |
| Pennsylvania <sup>6</sup>  | 9   | 5   | 5   | 8  |
| South Carolina             | 7   | 6   | 3   | 5  |
| South Dakota               | 4   | 5   | 6   | 8  |
| Tennessee                  | 3   | 4   | 7   | 8  |
| Texas                      | 6   | 7   | 5   | 8  |
| Virginia <sup>7</sup>      | 9   | 5   | 5   | 7  |
| Washington                 | 5   | 9   | 5   | 16   |
| Wisconsin                  | 7   | 6   | 4   | 9  |
| United States <sup>8</sup> | 6   | 6   | 6   | 9  |

<sup>1</sup> Agricultural inputs include seed fertilizer, chemicals, veterinarian supplies, feed, machinery, replacement parts, farm supplies, office equipment, etc.

<sup>2</sup> Agricultural marketing activities include direct sales of commodities, on-line crop and livestock auctions, on-line market advisory services, commodity price tracking, etc.

<sup>3</sup> Reference period for access and usage of USDA reports, research information, and services is last 12 months: June 2000 to June 2001.

<sup>4</sup> Includes AZ, CO, NV, NM, UT, and WY.

<sup>5</sup> Includes CT, ME, MA, NH, RI, and VT.

<sup>6</sup> Includes NJ and PA.

<sup>7</sup> Includes DE, MD, VA, and WV.

<sup>8</sup> Excludes AK and HI.

## Mississippi and US Price Highlights

| Commodity        | Unit | July 2000<br>Entire Month |                   | June 2001<br>Entire Month |                   | July 2001<br>Mid-Month |                   |
|------------------|------|---------------------------|-------------------|---------------------------|-------------------|------------------------|-------------------|
|                  |      | MS                        | US                | MS                        | US                | MS                     | US                |
| Dollars          |      |                           |                   |                           |                   |                        |                   |
| Corn             | bu   | ---                       | 1.64              | ---                       | 1.77              | ---                    | 1.88              |
| Cotton, Upland   | lb   | .436                      | .488              | .513                      | .404              | .447 <sup>1</sup>      | .387 <sup>1</sup> |
| Sorghum, grain   | cwt  | —                         | 2.82              | ---                       | 3.63              | ---                    | 3.58              |
| Soybeans         | bu   | 4.70                      | 4.53              | 4.54                      | 4.46              | 5.05                   | 4.92              |
| Winter Wheat     | bu   | ---                       | 2.23              | ---                       | 2.68              | ---                    | 2.69              |
| Rice, Rough      | cwt  | —                         | 5.65              | ---                       | 5.01              | ---                    | 5.01              |
| All Milk         | cwt  | —                         | 12.60             | ---                       | 16.10             | ---                    | 16.30             |
| Fluid            | cwt  | —                         | 12.60             | ---                       | 16.20             | ---                    | 16.30             |
| Manufacturing    | cwt  | —                         | 10.80             | ---                       | 15.10             | ---                    | 15.40             |
| All Beef Cattle  | cwt  | —                         | 67.50             | ---                       | 73.50             | ---                    | 70.80             |
| Cows             | cwt  | —                         | 39.20             | ---                       | 44.70             | ---                    | 42.80             |
| Calves           | cwt  | —                         | 106.00            | ---                       | 109.00            | ---                    | 108.00            |
| Steers & Heifers | cwt  | —                         | 70.40             | ---                       | 76.80             | ---                    | 74.10             |
| All Hogs         | cwt  | —                         | 48.30             | ---                       | 52.20             | ---                    | 51.40             |
| Barrows & Gilts  | cwt  | —                         | 49.10             | ---                       | 52.90             | ---                    | 52.00             |
| Sows             | cwt  | —                         | 34.80             | ---                       | 39.90             | ---                    | 41.50             |
| Broilers, Live   | lb   | —                         | .350              | ---                       | .410              | ---                    | .420              |
| Market Eggs      | doz  | .430 <sup>2</sup>         | .377 <sup>2</sup> | .430 <sup>2</sup>         | .358 <sup>2</sup> | .450                   | .350              |

--- Estimates not made.

<sup>1</sup> Based on sales during the first half of the month.

<sup>2</sup> Mid-month price